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Attorney General John Ashcroft
U.S. Department of Justice
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

I write you to ask your continued support of the recent Microsoft settlement. This settlement is the product of three years of deliberation and compromise, and contains terms that are beneficial to the entire IT sector. By supporting this agreement, we help to get our technology industry back to business and our economy flowing once again. By not supporting this agreement, we jeopardize our position in this highly competitive worldwide IT market.

Not only has Microsoft agreed to make changes in licensing and marketing terms, but has agreed to make changes in design and development, such as changing XP and 2000 Professional to make it more accommodating for software developers other than Microsoft. This is a bold step, and we need to support this type of agreement as it brings us together as an industry and as a nation.

Please help support this settlement by helping to stop any further actions against this agreement. let us help get our industry back to business.

Sincerely,

Alfredo Rodriguez